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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed by the Examiner in the present case on June 4, 2003, applicant hereby elects to prosecute the claims of Group 1 (Claims1-14), without traverse.

The Examiner has further indicated that Applicant must elect a species within the elected group. Applicant elects a species comprising R1 as a branched chain C3 to C8 alkyl; R2 an unsubstituted phenyl; R3 an unsubstituted pyridyl; and R4 is hydrogen. This election of species is made without traverse.

A Petition for Extension of Time for two months to November 4, 2003 is hereby requested pursuant to 37-C.F.R. § 136(a). Accordingly, please charge Applicant's Credit Card in the amount of \$410.00 for this Petition. A Credit Card Payment Form is enclosed for fee purposes. However, the Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17, which may be required to maintain the pendency of the above application, to Deposit Account No. 50-1744 in the name of Syngenta Biotechnology, Inc.

If any additional information is needed, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (919) 541-8587.

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